

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This Listing of Claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in this application.

Please cancel claims 25 and 28 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Withdrawn) A Ubiquinol-enriched oil/fat-containing food.
2. (Withdrawn) The oil/fat-containing food according to claim 1, which further contains ubiquinone.
3. (Withdrawn) The oil/fat-containing food according to claim 1 or 2, wherein the ubiquinol/ubiquinone ratio is not less than 1/2 (by weight).
4. (Withdrawn) The oil/fat-containing food according to claim 2, which has been enriched with ubiquinol and ubiquinone in a proportion of 0.0001 to 50% by weight as ubiquinone based on the total weight of the oil/fat-containing food.
5. (Withdrawn) The oil/fat-containing food according to claim 2, wherein the oil/fat content is not less than 0.5% by weight.
6. (Withdrawn) The oil/fat-containing food according to or claim 2, wherein the weight ratio of ubiquinol to oil/fat is not more than 1.
7. (Withdrawn) The oil/fat-containing food according to claim 1, which is at least one species selected from the group consisting of edible oils/fats, milk, dairy products, sauces, breads, pies, cakes, confections, roux, seasoning liquors, ice confections, noodles, processed foods, boiled rice preparations, jams, canned foods, and beverages.

8. (Withdrawn) The oil/fat-containing food according to claim 2, which further contains an antioxidant and/or an edible color.

9. (Withdrawn) The oil/fat-containing food according to claim 8, wherein the antioxidant and/or edible color is at least one species selected from the group consisting of ascorbyl palmitate, ascorbyl stearate, catechin, lecithin, tocopherol, tocotrienol, lignan, and carotenoid.

10. (Withdrawn) The oil/fat-containing food according to claim 1, which is a colorless or white to pale yellow food.

11. (Withdrawn) The oil/fat-containing food according to claim 10, wherein the colorless or white to pale yellow food is at least one species selected from the group consisting of edible oils/fats, milk, dairy products and beverages.

12. (Withdrawn) The oil/fat-containing food according to claim 1, wherein the ubiquinol is an (all-E)-isomer.

13. (Withdrawn) The oil/fat-containing food according to claim 2, wherein the process for producing the ubiquinol is a fermentation process.

14. (Withdrawn) A process for supplying ubiquinol which comprises ingesting the oil/fat-containing food according to claim 1.

15. (Currently Amended) A process for producing a ubiquinol-enriched oil/fat-containing food product for human ingestion

which comprises adding ubiquinol together with an emulsifier and/or an oil/fat-containing food ingredient to a human food material

which comprises dissolving ubiquinol in oil/fat under heating, cooling an obtained solution to give a homogeneous oil/fat composition and manufacturing the ubiquinol-enriched oil/fat-containing food product using the composition

wherein the oil/fat has a melting point of not lower than 20°C and the homogeneous oil/fat composition is obtained by cooling the obtained solution for solidification or cooling the obtained solution and kneading it for plasticization.

16. (Previously Presented) A process for producing the oil/fat-containing food product according to claim 15 which comprises adding ubiquinol having a purity in excess of 0.01%.

17. (Withdrawn) The oil/fat-containing food according to claim 1, wherein the ubiquinol/ubiquinone ratio is not less than 1/2 (by weight).

18. (Withdrawn) The oil/fat-containing food according to claim 1, which has been enriched with ubiquinol and ubiquinone in a proportion of 0.0001 to 50% by weight as ubiquinone based on the total weight of the oil/fat-containing food.

19. (Withdrawn) The oil/fat-containing food according to claim 1, wherein the oil/fat content is not less than 0.5% by weight.

20. (Withdrawn) The oil/fat-containing food according to claim 1, wherein the weight ratio of ubiquinol to oil/fat is not more than 1.

21. (Currently Amended) The process for producing the ubiquinol-enriched oil/fat-containing food product for human ingestion according to Claim 15 wherein the ubiquinol-enriched oil/fat-containing food product for human ingestion further contains ubiquinone and the ubiquinol/ubiquinone ratio is not less than 1/2 (by weight).

22. (Previously Presented) The process for producing the ubiquinol-enriched oil/fat-containing food product for human ingestion according to Claim 15 wherein the ubiquinol-enriched oil/fat-containing food product for human ingestion has been enriched with ubiquinol and ubiquinone in a proportion of 0.0001 to 50% by weight as ubiquinone based on the total weight of the oil/fat-containing food product.

23. (Previously Presented) The process for producing the ubiquinol-enriched oil/fat-containing food product for human ingestion according to Claim 15 wherein the oil/fat content is not less than 0.5% by weight.

24. (Previously Presented) The process for producing the ubiquinol-enriched oil/fat-containing food product for human ingestion according to Claim 15 wherein the ubiquinol-enriched oil/fat-containing food product for human ingestion is at least one species selected from the group consisting of edible oils/fats, milk, dairy products, sauces, breads, pies, cakes, confections, roux, seasoning liquors, ice confections, noodles, processed foods, boiled rice preparations, jams, canned foods, and beverages.

25-28. (Canceled)

29. (Currently Amended) The process for producing the ubiquinol-enriched oil/fat-containing food product for human ingestion according to Claim 25 15 wherein said homogeneous oil/fat composition is an oil-in-water emulsion or a water-in-oil emulsion.

30. (Currently Amended) The process for producing the ubiquinol-enriched oil/fat-containing food product for human ingestion according to Claim 15 wherein the ubiquinol-enriched oil/fat-containing food product is an ordinary food product in a form other than tablet or capsule form.